

House Resolution 2119

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132nd, Porter of the 143rd, Hugley of the 133rd, Ashe of the 56th, Orrock of the 58th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending House Speaker Emeritus Terry Coleman; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, since 1972, House Speaker Emeritus Terry Coleman has been one of the most
3 distinguished members of the House of Representatives, faithfully striving for the betterment
4 of House District 144 and for all of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a native of Dodge County, he is a graduate of Reinhardt College and the
6 Woodrow Wilson College of Law and is employed with Coleman and Company Benefits;
7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, as Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 147th General Assembly
9 during 2003 and 2004, he secured a lasting place in Georgia history and gained a solid
10 reputation for his inspiring leadership, diplomacy, and immense legislative skill; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he currently serves on the House Committee on Appropriations, the House
12 Committee on Insurance, and the House Committee on Transportation; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a devoted family man to his wife, Carol Cofield Coleman, and his two children
14 and two grandchildren, Speaker Emeritus Coleman is a pillar of his community, and among
15 his many activities, he has been a member of the Eastman Volunteer Fire Department for 22
16 years and is a faithful member of the First Methodist Church of Eastman; and
- 17 WHEREAS, the determined leadership of Speaker Emeritus Coleman has been a tremendous
18 asset to the people of this state, and as he completes his long and illustrious career with the
19 House of Representatives, it is most fitting and proper for this body to pay tribute to the
20 countless contributions of this exceptional Georgian.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

1 the members of this body join together to commend House Speaker Emeritus Terry Coleman
2 on his extraordinary service to his body and to the people of Georgia and to extend their best
3 wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Speaker Emeritus Terry
6 Coleman.